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To: <presidentialufo@canada.com>
Subject: Re: Special Projects (M)

Dear Grant:

I've reviewed the finding aids for the Office of the Special Assistant for Science and Technology and the President's Science Advisory Committee. They would be the key collections for any sort of project files. I could find nothing on Special Project (M). I've also done some checking with other archivists and no one can recall anything about this project group.

There is a possibility of material buried in one of our collections, even the two mentioned above, dealing with Special Projects (M) but nevertheless not identified in the guides available to us. I think it is remote but I would not discount it entirely. One reason for my scepticism is that I ran across a couple documents in the White House Central Files that seem to suggest Special Projects (M) was not a operational group but a funding account/organizational classification.

I took a look at the file for the Presidents Science Advisory Committee in the White House Central Files. It is rather large, filling nearly an entire archives box, so we are talking 600 to 700 pages. Because of its size I could not make a thorough review of it but I did find two documents that perhaps shed some light on the Special Projects (M). One document is an order from the President establishing the compensation for members of the President's Science Advisory Committee "at the rate of \$75.00 per diem." The document further states: "This rate shall be paid from the appropriation 'Special Projects, The White House Office,' without regard to the Civil Service laws, the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, and the limitations of section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U.S.C. 55a)." A second document refers to the reconstitution of "the Science Advisory Committee in Special Projects, The White House Office." In this case the implication seems to be that of an organizational classification.

If you would like to have copies of the documents cited I would be happy to send them to you.

I suppose there could be more to it than what I have posed as an explanation. Again I have not devoted the time it would take to make a thorough investigation. You certainly may review the files yourself and perhaps locate other information.

Please contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Dwight Strandberg
Archivist

Eisenhower Library

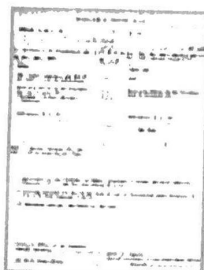
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Dwight I would like to know if you have anything on Special Projects (M) as described on the attached link.
http://www.ufoconspiracy.com/images/Lloyd_Berkner_SpecialProjects59.jpg Grant

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Lloyd Berkner & Special Projects (M) 12-1-57 to 12-31-58



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Reference the above page. This is a FOIA release showing "NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION" for **Lloyd Berkner** on a Standard Civil Service form 50. Notice the "**Executive Office of the President, Special Projects (M)**", "**President's Science Advisory Committee.**" What is "Special Projects (M)"? Does "M" stand for **Majestic** or something else? Lloyd Berkner was identified as a possible member of MJ12 after his death. Please remember there is a Special Projects typed on the Cutler-Twining memo and "PJ" is the Special Projects office for AFOSI. So, lacking any other information on this document we'll let the reader decide.....

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NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL

1. NAME (LAST [CAPS]—First—Middle—Mr.—Miss—Mrs.)

BERKNER, Lloyd V. (Dr.)**B-625**

4. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE PERSONNEL ACTION DESCRIBED BELOW, WHICH CONCERNING YOUR EMPLOYMENT APPEARS ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM.

5. NATURE OF ACTION (standard terminology must be used)

- (1) Termination of Presidential Appt. +
(2) Exc. Appt. (WOC)

6. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACTION

(1) 12-31-58

(2) 1-1-59

FROM—

Member**WOC, travel expenses, and \$15.00 per diem in lieu of subsistence**

**Executive Office of the President
Special Projects (M)
President's Science Advisory
Committee**

Washington, D. C. ***

8. POSITION TITLE AND NUMBER

9. SERIES, GRADE, SALARY

10. NAME AND LOCATION OF OFFICE BY WHICH EMPLOYED

11. DUTY STATION

Yes

12. APPORTIONED POSITION

13. VETERAN PREFERENCE

14. TENURE GROUP

No 5-pt. 10-pt. Disab 10-pt. Other

16. APPROPRIATION

17. PAYROLL DEDUCTION

**Special Projects (M), The
White House Office, 1959.**

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19. REMARKS:

a. Subject to completion of 1 year probationary (or trial) period commencing.